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LISTING OF CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A golf ball comprising:
 - a core comprising an elastomeric composition <u>comprised of a diene polymer</u>, a reactive coagent present by less than about 10 <u>by about 0</u> phr by weight of the elastomeric composition, and a cross-linking agent;
 - an intermediate layer encasing the core, the intermediate layer comprising a thermoplastic polymer; and
 - a cover encasing the intermediate layer.
- 2. (Cancelled).
- 3. (Cancelled).
- 4. (Cancelled).
- 5. (Cancelled).
- 6. (Cancelled).
- 7. (Original) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the golf ball further comprises a thin dense layer between the intermediate layer and the cover, the thin dense layer being positioned at a radial distance outside a centroid radius of the golf ball, and having a thickness from about 0.025 mm to about 1.27 mm.
- 8. (Original) The golf ball of claim 7, wherein the thin dense layer has a specific gravity of greater than about 1.2 g/cm³.
- 9. (Original) The golf ball of claim 7, wherein the thin dense layer has a specific gravity of greater than about 1.5 g/cm³.

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- 10. (Amended) A golf ball having a diameter of about 1.68 inches comprising:
 - a core comprising an elastomeric composition, <u>comprising a diene rubber</u>, a reactive coagent present by less than about [[10]] 5 phr by weight of the elastomeric composition, and a cross-linking agent, and having an Atti compression of 10-60 and a specific gravity of less than 1.05;
 - an intermediate layer encasing the core, the intermediate layer comprising a highly neutralized polymer; and
 - a cover encasing the intermediate layer.
- 11. (Cancelled).
- 12. (Cancelled).
- 13. (Original) The golf ball of claim 10, wherein the reactive co-agent is present by about 0 phr.
- 14. (Original) The golf ball of claim 10, wherein the reactive co-agent comprises a metal salt of diacrylate, dimethacrylate, or monomethacrylate, or a non-metallic oligomer.
- 15. (Original) The golf ball of claim 14, wherein the metal is selected from zinc, magnesium, calcium, barium, tin, aluminum, lithium, sodium, potassium, iron, zirconium, and bismuth.
- 16. (Original) The golf ball of claim 10, wherein the golf ball further comprises a thin dense layer between the intermediate layer and the cover, the thin dense layer being positioned at a radial distance outside a centroid radius of the golf ball, and having a thickness from about 0.025 mm to about 1.27 mm.
- 17. (Original) The golf ball of claim 16, wherein the thin dense layer has a specific gravity of greater than about 1.2 g/cm³.
- 18. (Original) The golf ball of claim 16, wherein the thin dense layer has a specific gravity of greater than about 1.5 g/cm³.